## **CLAIMS**

1. (Amended) A telecommunication terminal
apparatus capable of giving a notification using a melody,
comprising:

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storage means capable of storing musical composition data in which a plurality of starting points suitable for starting performance are set;

point register means for storing information indicative of an arbitrary performance starting position of the musical composition data; and

musical tone-generating means responsive to an instruction for starting the notification using the melody, for reading out the musical composition data from said storage means and for reproducing the readout musical composition according to the information indicative of the performance starting position, stored in said point register means, to thereby start generating the melody from the arbitrary performance starting position of the musical composition data.

- 2. A telecommunication terminal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said musical tonegenerating means is responsive to an instruction for ending the notification using the melody, for stopping reproducing the musical composition data and for writing information indicative of a reproduction stop position of the musical composition data having been reproduced and a starting point corresponding to a position closest to the reproduction stop position among the plurality of starting points into said point register means.
- 3. A telecommunication terminal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said musical tonegenerating means is responsive to an instruction for ending the notification using the melody, for stopping reproducing the musical composition data and for writing

information indicative of a reproduction stop position of the musical composition data having been reproduced and a starting point corresponding to a rear position closest to the reproduction stop position among the plurality of starting points into said point register means.

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- 4. A telecommunication terminal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said musical tonegenerating means is responsive to the instruction for starting the notification using the melody, for generating the melody from a starting point corresponding to a rear position closest to the performance starting position stored in said point register means among the plurality of starting points.
- 5. A telecommunication terminal apparatus

  15 according to claim 1, wherein one starting point can be selected from among the plurality of starting points, and the selected one starting point is written as the performance starting position into said point register means.